

**WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 16, 2014**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the Washington County Commission was called to order by Chairman James J. Eardley at 4:00 p.m. on September 16, 2014, in the Commission Chambers, Washington County Administration Building, St. George, Utah. Those in attendance were Chairman James J. Eardley, Commissioner Alan Gardner, Deputy County Attorney Eric Clarke, and Deputy County Clerk Christine S. Hall.

Commissioner Victor Iverson was excused from the meeting.

Commissioner Gardner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA:

The Consent Agenda is a means of expediting routine matters which come before the Commission for approval. The Consent Portion of the agenda is approved by one (1) non-debatable motion. If any Commissioner wishes to remove an item from the Consent Portion of the agenda, then that item becomes the first order of business on the Regular Agenda.

- Consideration of Auditor-Approved Claims for Payment from September 3, 2014, through September 16, 2014
- Consideration of Regular County Commission Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2014
- Consideration of Administrative Adjustments: Real Property (attached)
- Consideration of Administrative Adjustments: Personal Property (attached)
- Consideration of Application(s) for Settlement or Deferral of Privilege Taxes: Thomas Holm, S/N HD-PTAX-29
- Consideration of Applications for Property Tax Abatement: Kathy Munson, A/N 0296304; Tim and Barbara King, A/N 0754617; John Fahey, A/N 0407752; Cindy Benson, A/N 0452576; Carl Heinz and Debby Burns, A/N 0124779; Barbara Pepper, S/N SG-RCST-3-27; Reid and Bonnie Byington, S/N SG-TTE-C-11; Tamera Carlow, S/N SG-6-2-12-4301; Della Highly, S/N S-80; Ruth and William Bandle, A/N 0416969; Robert and Kathryn Brewster. S/N W-LJH-2-9
- Consideration of Renewal of Agreements between Washington County and Schindler Elevator Corporation for Elevator Services for: St. George Senior Center, Washington County Sheriff's Office, Washington County Justice Center, St. George Library, Dixie Center, Courthouse Office Plaza, and Washington County Boulevard Building; and Two (2) Work Orders for Repairs at the St. George Library Branch

- Consideration of Addendum to Washington County Emergency Services Operations Plan (EOP)

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Gardner to Approve the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley and Gardner voting aye.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT / SHERIFF CORY PULSIPHER

Washington County Sheriff Cory Pulsipher stated that Deputy Darrell Cashin was not able to complete his report on search and rescue activities due to the flooding that occurred last week. Sheriff Pulsipher stated that this upcoming weekend, the Utah Sheriff's Association Conference for search and rescue training, night training, high-angle, road search, and medical training will be held at the Dixie Center. He anticipates that six to seven hundred (600-700) officers will be in attendance.

PURCHASE REQUEST(S): MARK BLANCH

Sheriff's Office, vehicle purchase with trade in (\$17,900.00)

Washington County Clerk/Auditor's Office Internal Auditor Trevor Coombs stated that the Washington County Sheriff's Office is acquiring a 2014 Hyundai Sonata and trading in three (3) vehicles: a 2006 Impala, a 2005 Crown Vic, and a 2008 Ford F350.

All purchases are budgeted, bonded, or paid for through grant funds.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Gardner to Approve the Purchase Request. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner and Eardley voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-1840, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING COMMISSIONER ALAN D. GARDNER TO THE SPECIALLY FUNDED TRANSPORTATION SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT BOARD

Commissioner Eardley explained that a vacancy exists on the Specially Funded Transportation Special Service District Board due to the resignation of Commissioner Dennis Drake.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Eardley to Adopt Resolution No. R-2014-1840, A Resolution Appointing Commissioner Alan. D. Gardner to the Specially Funded Transportation Special Service District Board. Motion seconded by Commissioner Gardner and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley and Gardner voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-1841, A RESOLUTION BY WASHINGTON COUNTY, UTAH, PETITIONING CONGRESS TO REIN IN RAMPANT OVERREGULATION OF PUBLIC LANDS BY FEDERAL ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIES

Commissioner Gardner stated that this document travel via horseback along Pony Express trails, along with resolutions from other governing bodies throughout the United States, from the West Coast to Washington D.C. and be delivered to congress.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Gardner to Adopt Resolution No. R-2014-1841, Resolution by Washington County, Utah, Petitioning Congress to Rein in Rampant Overregulation of Public Lands by Federal Administrative Agencies. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley and Gardner voting aye.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

Commissioner Gardner mentioned that he will be going to Washington D.C. to attend the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Fly-In sponsored by the National Association of Counties (NACo). The purpose of the trip is to publicize the need by Counties for the continuation of PILT funding.

PUBLIC WORKS OR ROAD BUSINESS

Public Works Director Ron Whitehead reported on current road department projects:

- No major damage was done to roads in the County as the result of recent flooding.
- Many roads have culverts that will need to be cleaned out as they are plugged with dirt and debris. The road department will try to get to as many as possible, but there are a great many that need to be cleaned out.
- The Road Department is currently grading the road to Motoqua.
- Five contractors submitted bids for the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRSC) Motoqua Road project. Feller Enterprises was the low bidder and will be notified of the award. A resolution approving this contract will come before the

Commission at its next meeting. The project will take approximately 40 working days to complete.

- A pre-bid meeting and site showing for the Hope Canyon project will take place Friday September 19th.

COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING BUSINESS:

Washington County planner Scott Messell explained that the Planning Commission Meeting of September 9, 2014 was cancelled due to the storm. Some Planning Commission members were not able to attend and as a result there was not a quorum. The items from this agenda will be on the next agenda for the Planning Commission meeting that will take place October 14, 2014.

Request a Closed Session

None.

There being nothing further to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

CHRISTINE S. HALL
DEPUTY CLERK

JAMES J. EARDLEY
CHAIRMAN